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December 21, 1999

Mr. John R. Velasquez, Jr.
Acting Central Enforcement Docket Supervisor
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Matter Under Review # 4953
Honorable Thomas D. DeLay

Dear Mr. Velasquez:

We represent Congressman Tom DeLay and the Tom DeLay Congressional Committee in matters involving the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1974, as amended. Congressman DeLay's Congressional office today forwarded to me a copy of your letter of December 15, 1999 regarding the above captioned enforcement matter.

Pursuant to its administrative authority, I hereby respectfully request that the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") grant Congressman DeLay a sixty (60) extension of the time for filing a written response to the complaint which generated this Matter Under Review. As you know, Congress adjourned the First Session of the 106th Congress late last month. As a consequence, Congressman DeLay has not been in Washington and before preparing his response to this complaint, I must have additional time to conduct a thorough inquiry. Given that my holiday plans will take me out of the city for ten days beginning tomorrow, I would hope that the Commission would grant this extension request.

For your information, a "Designation of Counsel" form was not provided to me in the materials which I received today. Please forward to me a Designation of Counsel

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form for this MUR and I will have Congressman DeLay execute it at his earliest convenience.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. B. Canfield III', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William B. Canfield III

cc David A. Evans, theTom DeLay Congressional Committee
Tony Rudy, Esq.

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